

DATE:

September 29, 2010

TO:

Division Files - Bureau of Land

FROM:

Chris Cahnovsky – Collinsville Region

SUBJECT:

1198010003 - Madison County

Estate of Chemetco

FOS File

On September 15, 2010, Michelle Cozadd and I conducted an inspection at Chemetco, Inc. Present during this inspection were Jorge Garcia, ES&H Manager for the Estate of Chemetco and Mike Murray of AIS.

TANK HOUSE

The demolition of the tanks within the Tank House is complete. The lead liners have been moved to a pile on the east side just outside the Tank House. Doe Run in Herculaneum, Missouri has purchased the lead liners for their refining process. AIS is continuing to load the concrete from the tanks in trucks for shipment to Roxana Landfill. To date AIS has shipped four loads of concrete to Roxana Landfill totaling 22.9 tons. On September 13 and 14, 2010, AIS shipped out 14 loads of scrap metal to Grossmen totaling 198.43 tons.

The Tank House still contains a significant amount of concrete. I explained to Mr. Garcia and Mr. Murray that I was concerned that concrete mixed with fines (metal bearing materials or MBM) were going to be taken to the Fines Building. I pointed to several areas within the work zone that I had concerns with. Mr. Murray stated that he intended to send concrete that was mixed with the fines to the Fines Building. He stated that the concrete would be crushed and treated by Paradigm. I explained that I did not think that the concrete had recoverable amount of metals in it to be considered MBM.

Mr. Jorge showed us the area of the Tank House referred to as the Hallway. The Hallway is an area on the north side of the Tank House that extents the length of the building. This area has been cleaned out and the remaining fines have been accumulated at the east end of the Hallway. These fines are being taken over to the Fines Building.

Mr. Jorge pointed out the Caustic Tank that has been sold to Tank Trailer Cleaning (TTC) is East St. Louis, Illinois. TTC has developed a work plan for the removal of this 8,500 gallon tank. The tank current contains about 4,000 gallons of sodium hydroxide.

FINES BUILDING

I then inspected the Fine Building. In this building I observed about four loads of concrete mixed with scrubber sludge. These piles contained large pieces of concrete with protruding rebar. I observed other trash mixed in with the concrete. It appears that this material meets the definition of general construction or demolition debris and not metal bearing material that Paradigm can use in their process. I explained to Mr. Garcia that no more concrete could be placed in this building.

I also observed a pile of fines from the Hallway area of the Tank House. This pile contained trash such as a filter press frame, wood, pipe and other waste. I explained that this type of material is a waste and not MBM. I explained to Mr. Garcia that no more MDM or waste can be brought to the Fines Building until the waste material was removed. Mr. Garcia provided copies of the weekly inspection of the Fines Building to the Agency for review.

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Wednesday, September 15, 2010 1:29 PM

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As per our phone conversation, AIS has removed the debris from the pile. I am enclosing pictures of the material that was removed from the stock pile, and the current condition of the stock pile. As I mentioned in our phone conversation, AIS is in the process of dismantling a screener that was formerly used at the site. The screener will be taken to the Tank House area and will be used to screen out the larger chucks of concrete, rebar, and other miscellaneous materials. The screened material will be loaded and taken to the fines building for future process. The material that does not get screened out, will be loaded out and placed in roll off for disposal.

Based on your review of the pictures, will you provide approval to resume staging material in the fines building?. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks.

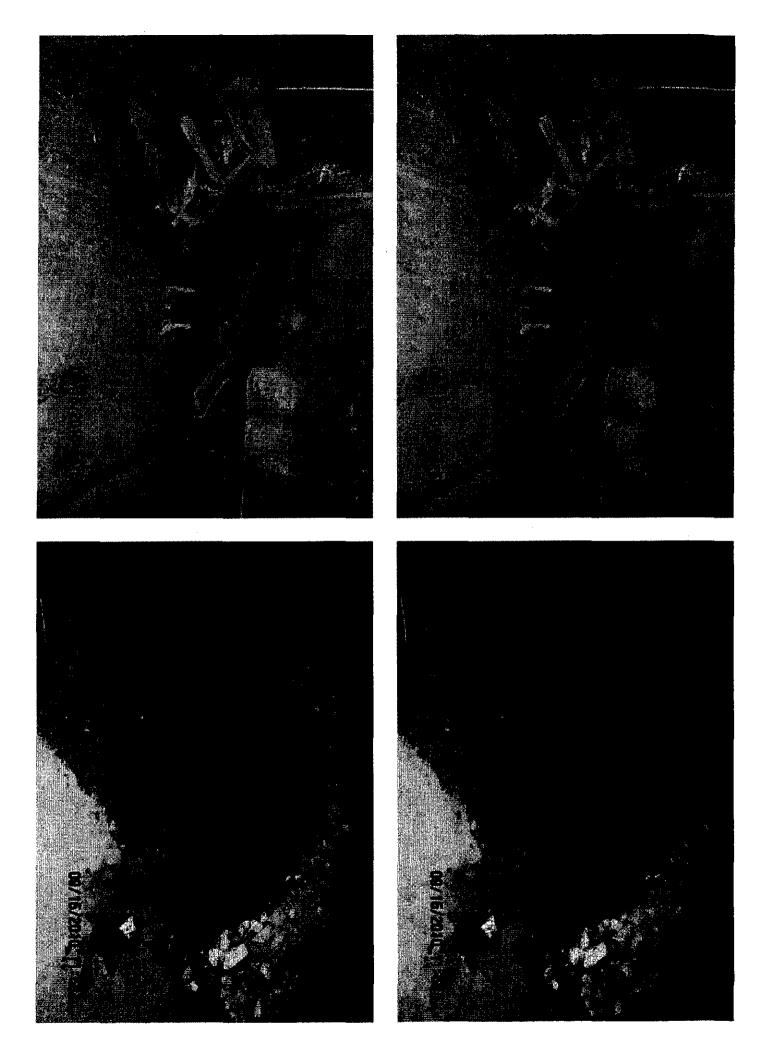
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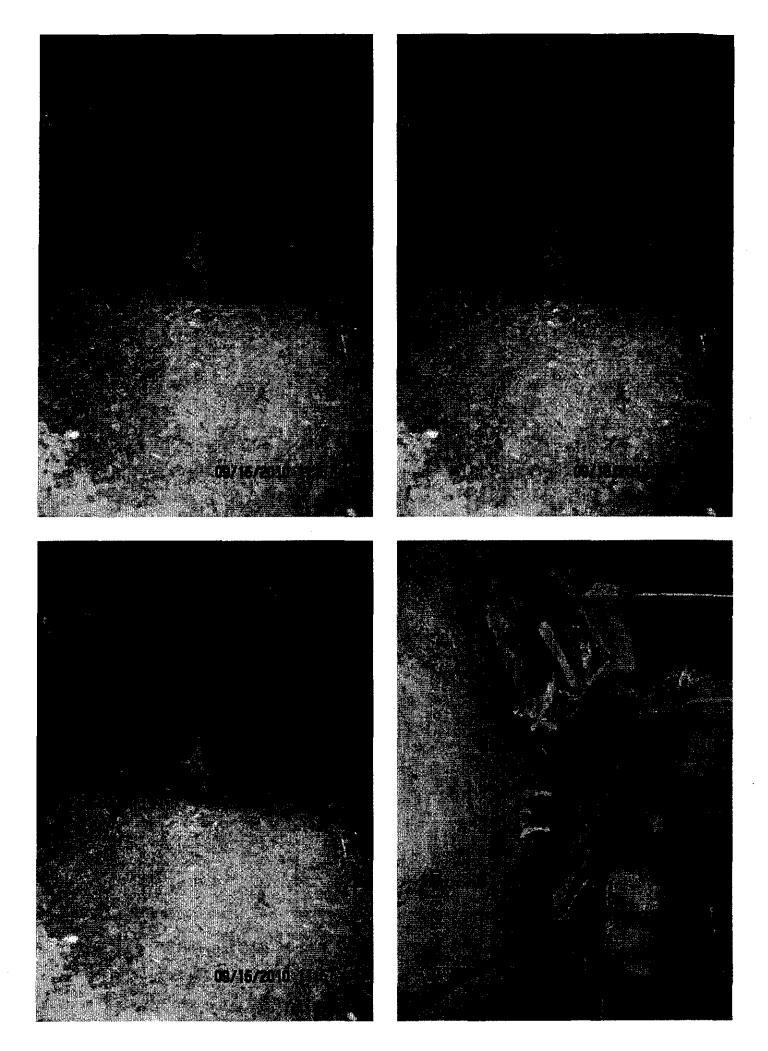
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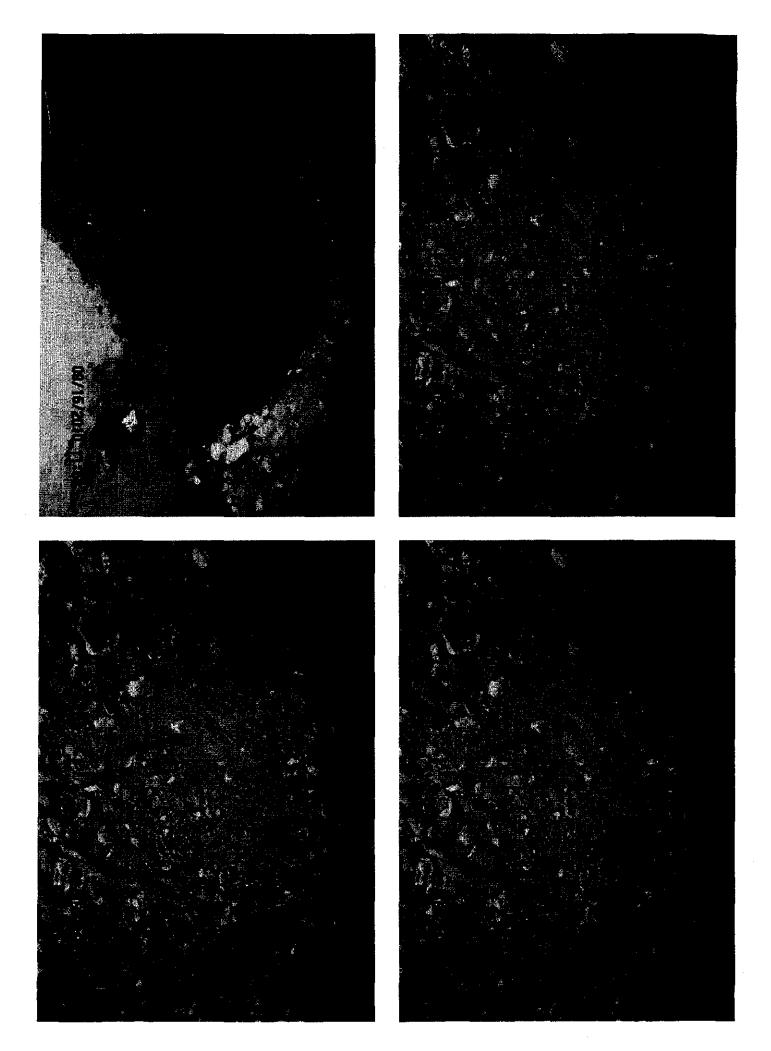
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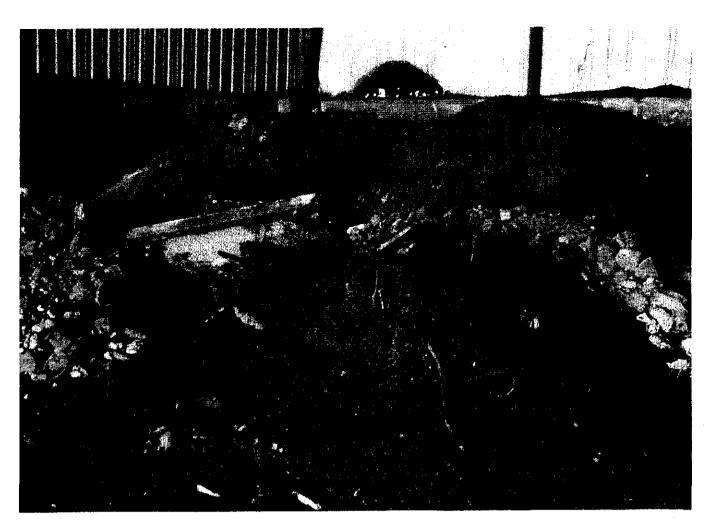
- 1. In the Fines Building the IEPA observed a pile of floor sweeping. In this pile was a filter plate, metal pipe, wood and other trash. Also concrete with rebar and fiberglass decking waste were observed in the building. This type material must be kept out of the Fines Building and managed as a waste. No more material may be placed into the Fines Building until this waste has been removed. Jorge Garcia has called me let me know that the material has been removed and he will forward pictures to the Agency.
- 2. The IEPA and USEPA are taking the position that all the concrete from the Tank House is a waste. According to the approved demolition plan the concrete pits will be broken on the floor of the Tank House and the concrete debris will be put into a temporary working pile inside the building and then transferred into containers or trucks for off-site disposal. The concrete must be managed as a waste. It appears that the majority of the concrete is a non-hazardous special and has already been profiled into Roxana Landfill. The smaller rubble/cobble/crumbs will need to be separated from the other floor debris and sampled for hazardous waste characteristics. All practical measures must be taken to keep this concrete out of the Fines Building and make correct waste determinations.

I will be in all day tomorrow if you would like to discuss this further.

Chris

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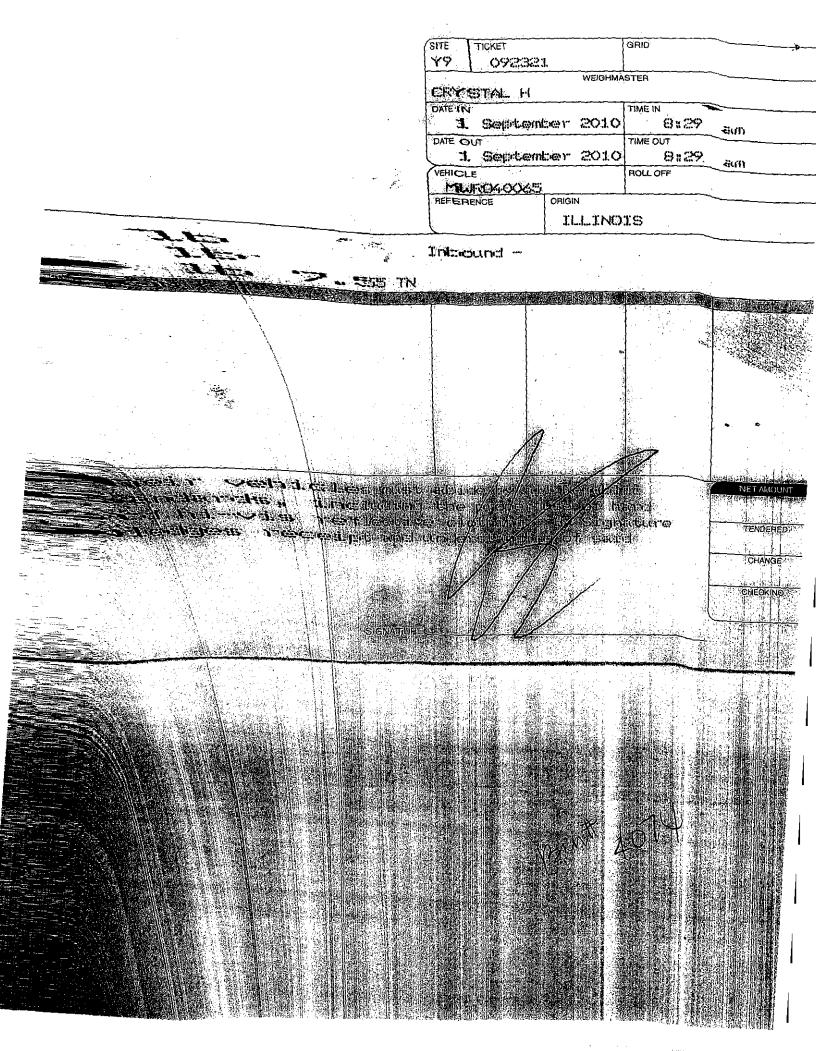
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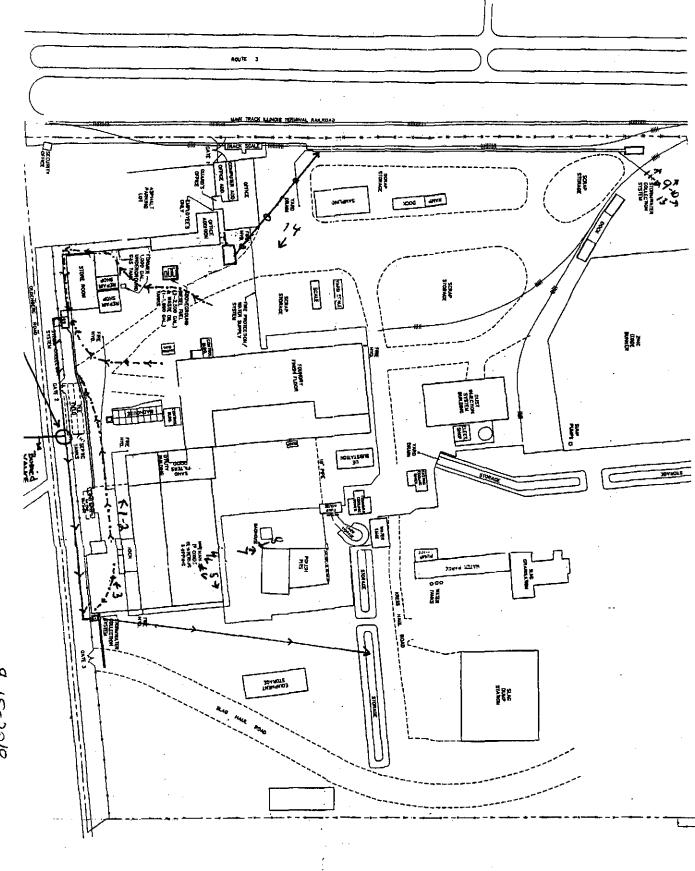
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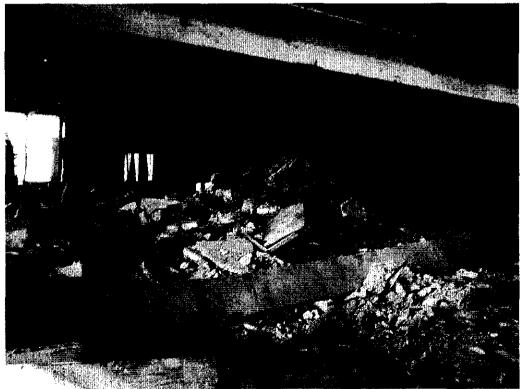


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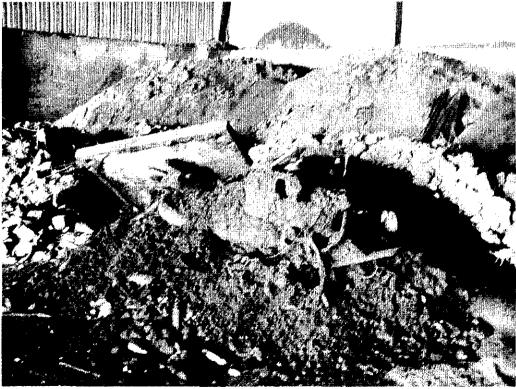


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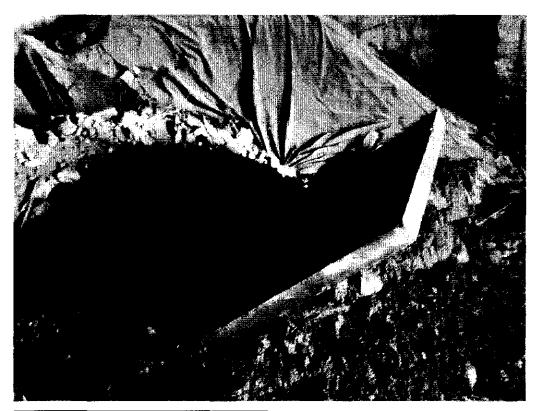


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